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**LOUISVILLE MAN SENTENCED FOR ABUSIVE SEXUAL CONTACT WITH A
MINOR AND RESISTING ARREST**

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **RYAN CHRISTOPHER YOUNG**, age 22, of Louisville, Kentucky, in Jefferson County, **was sentenced** in United States District Court, Louisville, Kentucky, for abusive sexual contact and resisting arrest.

Judge Charles R. Simpson III, United States District Court, sentenced **Young** to 4 years and 3 months imprisonment, plus 3 years supervised release following incarceration. **There is no parole in the federal judicial system.**

The Facts

On May 31, 2005, at 2:00 a.m., the Fort Knox Army CID office received notice that **Young** sexually assaulted an under 16-year-old victim. **Young** was a friend that had been living at the residence for the past three to four weeks. The United States was prepared to prove the following: **Young** and the minor victim who had been drinking earlier, returned home and **Young** became belligerent and violent and struck the victim with a closed fist several times in the arm and side. **Young** further dumped a half canister of baby powder in the face of the victim's 15-month-old son.

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The victim called 911 but hung up before speaking to anyone because **Young** grabbed the phone from her. **Young** then threw a lamp at the victim, threatened her with a knife, and repeatedly verbally threatened to kill her and her child. The victim related she was intimidated and afraid of **Young** and subsequently submitted to two sex acts with **Young** out of fear for her and her son's safety. **Young** forced the victim to perform oral sex, attempted to vaginally penetrate her with his penis, and penetrated her vagina with his finger. Fort Knox Military Police responded to the 911 and a MP officer drew his weapon after hearing screams and knocked on the door. The officer entered the residence and apprehended **Young**. During the apprehension, **Young** was verbally abusive and physically aggressive and was subsequently sprayed by pepper spray.

Young had previously pled guilty to engaging in abusive sexual contact upon another person on Fort Knox Military Reservation, admitting that he engaged in a sexual act with a woman by using force and by threatening to violently assault the victim if she refused him. He also admitted that, after the incident, he forcibly resisted arrest when Fort Knox military police attempted to arrest him. The case was prosecuted by former Special Assistant United States Attorney Trent Sandifur and Special Assistant United States Attorney Dan Stigall and was investigated by the United States Army Criminal Investigation Division.

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